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## INTRODUCTION.

Victoria is situated at the south-eastern extremity of the Australian continent of which it occupies about a thirty-fourth part, and contains about 87,884 square miles. It lies approximately between the 34th and 39th parallels of south latitude and the 141st and 150th meridians of east longitude. Its greatest length from east to west is about 493 miles, its greatest breadth about 290 miles and its extent of coast-line (including the length around Port Phillip Bay, Western Port, and Corner Inlet) 980 miles. It is bounded on the north and north-east by New South Wales from which it is separated by the River Murray and by a straight line in a south-easterly direction from a place near the head-waters of that stream, called The Springs, to Cape Howe. On the west it is bounded by South Australia and on the south and south-east its shores are washed by the Southern Ocean, Bass Strait, and the Pacific Ocean.

The climate of Victoria is characterized by warm summers, rather cold winters, and rain in all months. Mean temperatures in midsummer (January) range from 65 deg. (Fahr.) in the south to 75 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west, corresponding means of daily maxima being 80 deg. (Fahr.) in the south and 90 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west. In midwinter (July) the mean temperature is generally below 50 deg. (Fahr.), mean of the night minima being below 40 deg. (Fahr.).

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# STATISTICS OF VICTORIA

## I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

### VICTORIA—POPULATION.

Period.	Victoria.			Melbourne and Suburbs.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	
Census—				
1901 (31st March) .. ..	603,720	597,350	1,201,070	496,079
1911 (3rd April) .. ..	655,591	659,960	1,315,551	593,237
1921 (4th April) .. ..	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	782,979
1933 (30th June) .. ..	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	991,934
1947 (30th June) .. ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,226,409
At 31st December (estimated)—				
1947 .. ..	1,016,950	1,044,739	2,061,689	1,232,000
1948 .. ..	1,040,640	1,065,675	2,106,315	1,259,000
1949 .. ..	1,073,298	1,091,033	2,164,331	1,290,400
1950 .. ..	1,116,962	1,114,294	2,231,256	1,326,400
1951 .. ..	1,152,772	1,138,582	2,291,354	1,360,200
At 30th September, 1952 (estimated)	1,190,189	1,161,475	2,351,664	..

### VICTORIA—MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS.

Period.	Number of—				Rate per 1,000 of Population.(a)			Infantile Mortality.
	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Deaths under One Year.	Marriage.	Birth.	Death.	Deaths under One Year per 1,000 Births.
Year ended 31st December—								
1948 .. ..	20,035	46,099	21,825	1,103	9·59	22·06	10·44	23·93
1949 .. ..	20,066	46,873	21,991	1,026	9·38	21·92	10·28	21·89
1950 .. ..	20,320	49,830	22,341	1,001	9·22	22·61	10·14	20·09
1951 .. ..	21,117	50,553	23,446	1,143	9·31	22·28	10·33	22·61
1952 .. ..	20,220	53,738	23,322	1,198	(b)	(b)	(b)	22·29

(a) Subject to revision (b) Not yet available.

### VICTORIA—PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

Cause of Death.	Year Ended 31st December—		Quarter Ended 30th June—	
	1950.	1951.	1951.	1952.(a)
Tuberculosis .. ..	432	407	109	94
Malignant Neoplasms .. ..	3,209	3,169	818	794
Diabetes .. ..	368	353	86	104
Vascular Lesions affecting Central Nervous System ..	2,777	2,860	677	837
Diseases of the Heart .. ..	7,145	7,631	1,894	1885
General Arteriosclerosis .. ..	732	839	193	204
Pneumonia .. ..	845	970	228	187
Nephritis and Nephrosis .. ..	542	515	123	100
Certain Diseases of Early Infancy .. ..	625	672	184	163
Accidents .. ..	1,095	1,195	309	378

(a) Subject to revision



## II.—LABOUR AND INDUSTRIAL.

### VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

(Thousands.)

Month.	Total Employment.(a)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Government Employment. (b)	Private Employment.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)
MALES.										
1933—June ..	73·2	215·4	288·6	4·1	(e)	38·7	42·3	65·3		32·8
1939—July ..	90·0	267·5	357·5	5·5	128·4	36·4	45·4	75·9		35·9
1941—July ..	106·8	296·6	403·4	5·8	166·6	40·5	48·4	28·8	34·0	35·1
1942—June ..	113·8	261·7	375·5	4·6	167·0	29·2	47·4	22·5	27·7	30·3
1943—June ..	107·0	248·2	355·2	3·7	168·5	16·2	46·0	20·2	24·9	28·1
1944—June ..	106·5	245·6	352·1	3·4	167·0	16·6	45·5	20·3	26·0	30·0
1945—August ..	106·2	254·6	360·8	3·6	166·7	21·7	47·3	22·3	28·1	32·1
1946—June ..	115·2	302·7	417·9	4·4	179·8	32·0	55·0	29·6	37·9	38·1
1947—June ..	125·9	326·7	452·6	4·5	184·3	38·4	59·8	32·7	43·4	42·4
1948—June ..	131·7	341·6	473·3	4·8	192·7	42·1	62·4	34·6	46·1	44·4
1949—June ..	138·1	351·5	489·6	4·8	195·3	45·4	66·2	35·4	47·9	46·4
1950—June ..	148·2	362·4	510·6	4·8	201·5	50·7	69·3	36·1	50·2	47·7
1951—June ..	153·2	372·6	525·8	5·0	206·8	54·9	68·8	37·3	53·6	48·0
1952—June ..	152·9	371·6	524·5	5·2	204·1	52·3	71·3	35·9	55·4	49·0
July ..	153·1	367·1	520·2	5·2	202·0	51·0	70·8	35·8	54·7	48·8
August ..	153·4	363·9	517·3	5·2	199·6	50·7	70·2	35·7	54·3	48·8
September	152·6	362·1	514·7	5·2	198·5	49·8	69·6	35·2	54·5	48·8
October	152·5	364·1	516·6	5·3	199·8	49·6	70·1	35·4	54·8	48·9
November	152·4	363·5	515·9	5·4	199·1	49·3	70·1	35·7	54·8	48·8
December	152·7	364·6	517·3	5·4	199·5	49·4	69·9	36·4	54·7	48·9
FEMALES.										
1933—June ..	13·9	104·3	118·2	..	(e)	0·2	3·3	26·9		36·9
1939—July ..	16·8	126·1	142·9	0·1	63·9	0·3	3·3	30·8		34·3
1941—July ..	25·8	160·2	186·0	0·1	79·1	0·4	5·9	29·7	12·1	42·3
1942—June ..	37·1	161·4	198·5	0·2	82·7	0·5	8·1	29·9	14·4	43·5
1943—June ..	45·8	159·6	205·4	0·1	86·1	0·5	11·0	28·0	14·2	44·1
1944—June ..	44·4	153·9	198·3	0·1	82·4	0·5	11·2	26·7	14·4	44·9
1945—August ..	40·7	151·6	192·3	0·1	79·9	0·5	10·9	26·6	14·6	46·0
1946—June ..	30·6	153·1	183·7	0·1	75·2	0·6	9·4	27·4	13·9	47·7
1947—June ..	30·0	160·5	190·5	0·1	76·5	0·7	9·6	28·6	14·5	50·6
1948—June ..	30·4	166·3	196·7	0·1	79·1	0·8	10·4	29·9	15·4	52·5
1949—June ..	31·4	171·3	202·7	0·1	81·9	0·9	11·4	30·8	16·4	53·3
1950—June ..	33·6	176·5	210·1	0·1	84·9	0·9	11·8	31·2	17·7	55·2
1951—June ..	36·3	183·2	219·5	0·1	88·7	1·0	11·9	32·3	19·5	56·7
1952—June ..	36·5	170·1	206·6	0·1	76·6	1·1	11·6	30·8	20·2	56·6
July ..	36·6	168·6	205·2	0·1	75·9	1·1	11·5	30·4	20·2	56·5
August ..	36·4	166·5	202·9	0·1	74·9	1·2	11·4	29·9	20·0	56·1
September	36·2	166·5	202·7	0·1	75·1	1·2	11·3	29·7	19·9	56·2
October	35·9	167·1	203·0	0·1	75·4	1·1	11·2	29·9	19·9	56·2
November	35·7	167·8	203·5	0·1	75·7	1·1	11·2	30·5	19·7	56·0
December	35·5	168·2	203·7	0·1	74·9	1·1	11·1	31·7	19·6	55·9



VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT—*continued.*  
(Thousands.)

Month.	Total Employment.(a)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Government Employment. (b)	Private Employment.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)
PERSONS.										
1933—June ..	87.1	319.7	406.8	4.1	137.1	38.9	45.6	91.9		69.7
1939—July ..	106.8	393.6	500.4	5.6	192.3	36.7	48.7	106.7		70.2
1941—July ..	132.6	456.8	589.4	5.9	245.7	40.9	54.3	58.5	46.1	77.4
1942—June ..	150.9	423.1	574.0	4.8	249.7	29.7	55.5	52.4	42.1	73.8
1943—June ..	152.8	407.8	560.6	3.8	254.6	16.7	57.0	48.2	39.1	72.2
1944—June ..	150.9	399.5	550.4	3.5	249.4	17.1	56.7	47.0	40.4	74.9
1945—August ..	146.9	406.2	553.1	3.7	246.6	22.2	58.2	48.9	42.7	78.1
1946—June ..	145.8	455.8	601.6	4.5	255.0	32.6	64.4	57.0	51.8	85.8
1947—June ..	155.9	487.2	643.1	4.6	260.8	39.1	69.4	61.3	57.9	93.0
1948—June ..	162.1	507.9	670.0	4.9	271.8	42.9	72.8	64.5	61.5	96.9
1949—June ..	169.5	522.8	692.3	4.9	277.2	46.3	77.6	66.2	64.3	99.7
1950—June ..	181.8	538.9	720.7	4.9	286.4	51.6	81.1	67.3	67.9	102.9
1951—June ..	189.5	555.8	745.3	5.1	295.5	55.9	80.7	69.6	73.1	104.7
1952—June ..	189.4	541.7	731.1	5.3	280.7	53.4	82.9	66.7	75.6	105.6
July ..	189.7	535.7	725.4	5.3	277.9	52.1	82.3	66.2	74.9	105.3
August ..	189.8	530.4	720.2	5.3	274.5	51.9	81.6	65.6	74.3	104.9
September	188.8	528.6	717.4	5.3	273.6	51.0	80.9	64.9	74.4	105.0
October	188.4	531.2	719.6	5.4	275.2	50.7	81.3	65.3	74.7	105.1
November	188.1	531.3	719.4	5.5	274.8	50.4	81.3	66.2	74.5	104.8
December	188.2	532.8	721.0	5.5	274.4	50.5	81.0	68.1	74.3	104.8

(a) Excluding wage earners in rural industry, female domestics in private household, Defence Forces at home or abroad, National Service trainees in camp and Government "relief" workers. Estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1948) subject to revision.

(b) Civilian employees of Commonwealth, State, Local, and Semi-Government, and Allied Government Authorities. From March, 1951, old basis subject to revision.

(c) From July, 1948, the monthly figures are estimates subject to revision.

(d) Includes Law and Order, Religion, &c., Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, &c., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, &c., *excluding* female private domestic).

(e) Not available.

VICTORIA—UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were reported out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include sickness but not persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.

Period.	Trade Unions.		Trade Unions Reporting.		Unemployed in Trade Unions Reporting.	
	Total Number.	Total Membership.	Number.	Membership.	Number.	Percentage.
1938 Year .. .. .	147	215,021	79	124,184	10,718	8·6
1939 " .. .. .	149	216,803	78	125,628	13,032	10·4
1945 " .. .. .	151	311,891	77	186,112	1,548	0·9
1946 " .. .. .	151	329,049	75	191,632	2,400	1·3
1947 " .. .. .	152	343,162	74	204,500	2,423	1·2
1948 " .. .. .	156	370,886	74	212,831	1,762	0·8
1949 " .. .. .	150	382,503	74	222,955	1,719	0·8
1950 " .. .. .	152	406,317	74	228,723	1,523	0·7
1951 " .. .. .	156	433,407	74	240,643	1,410	0·6
1952 " (b) .. .. .	..	..	74	236,768	7,285	3·1
1932—June Quarter (a) .. .. .	..	..	81	117,083	32,395	27·7
1951—September Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	242,249	1,170	0·5
December Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	246,340	1,676	0·7
1952—March Quarter (b) .. .. .	..	..	74	238,398	2,487	1·0
June Quarter (b) .. .. .	..	..	74	238,326	3,875	1·6
September Quarter (b) .. .. .	..	..	74	234,869	11,498	4·9
December Quarter (b) .. .. .	..	..	74	235,477	11,279	4·8

(a) Peak of unemployment.

(b) Subject to revision.

*Note.*—The only records of unemployment available continuously over a long period of years at short intervals are the quarterly percentages reported by trades unions to the Commonwealth Statistician. The membership of the reporting unions consists predominantly of males and represents at present about 60 per cent. of the total trade union membership and between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The above table is an indication of the trend of unemployment as estimated or recorded by secretaries of trade unions which supply returns. Returns are not collected from unions whose members are predominantly in permanent employment (Governmental, &c.) or casual employment (wharf labourers, &c.). The percentages relate to unemployment due to all causes except unemployment of those directly involved in industrial disputes.

#### VICTORIA—BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)

(Adult Males.)

Payable as from the Beginning of First Pay Period in—	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnambool.	Five Towns—Weighted Average.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1939—September ..	81 0	77 0	76 0	80 0	80 0	80 0
1950—February ..	134 0	130 0	130 0	133 0	132 0	134 0
May ..	137 0	133 0	133 0	136 0	135 0	136 0
August ..	140 0	135 0	136 0	139 0	139 0	140 0
November ..	143 0	138 0	139 0	142 0	143 0	142 0
December ..	162 0	157 0	158 0	161 0	162 0	161 0
1951—February ..	170 0	164 0	164 0	167 0	170 0	169 0
May ..	177 0	171 0	171 0	175 0	177 0	177 0
August ..	189 0	188 0	182 0	190 0	188 0	189 0
November ..	199 0	198 0	194 0	198 0	202 0	199 0
1952—February ..	209 0	208 0	205 0	207 0	211 0	209 0
May ..	212 0	211 0	209 0	211 0	215 0	212 0
August ..	224 0	221 0	221 0	222 0	227 0	224 0
November ..	228 0	227 0	226 0	227 0	233 0	228 0
1953—February ..	229 0	226 0	226 0	227 0	234 0	229 0

(a) "Court" Series Index-Numbers.

*Note.*—For information relating to the basic wage payable in a specified industry, reference should be made to the Court Award or the State Wages Board Determination or the Award or Determination of any Special Industrial Tribunal appointed to deal with wages and conditions in respect of that industry.

## VICTORIA—INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK.

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages.
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly. (a)	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	
									£'000
1939 Year ..	10	10	1,989	180	2,169	27,313	..	27,313	20
1948 „ ..	21	82	41,734	155	41,889	159,903	..	159,903	241
1949 „ ..	20	193	22,018	..	22,018	60,112	..	60,112	116
1950 „ ..	33	1,142	59,161	14,826	73,987	1,208,365	..	1,208,365	2,396
1951 „ ..	41	220	27,219	..	27,219	42,210	..	42,210	104
1950—June Qr. ..	14	1,031	28,965	5,055	34,020	35,447	52,832	88,279	177
Sept. Qr. ..	9	26	1,951	2,487	4,438	9,359	..	9,359	17
Dec. Qr. ..	4	72	22,450	7,284	29,734	993,747	..	993,747	1,931
1951—March Qr. ..	12	127	16,758	..	16,758	18,214	..	18,214	38
June Qr. ..	8	17	1,826	..	1,826	6,621	..	6,621	17
Sept. Qr. ..	11	49	5,948	..	5,948	14,232	..	14,232	41
Dec. Qr. ..	10	27	2,687	..	2,687	3,143	..	3,143	8
1952—March Qr. ..	10	1,327	43,025	..	43,025	67,795	..	67,795	178
June Qr. (b)	6	49	9,363	54	9,417	9,286	13,844	23,130	61
Sept. Qr. ..	11	55	6,731	34	6,765	10,064	76	10,140	33

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute.

(b) Excludes working days lost as a result of the ban on overtime in the stevedoring industry during the quarter.

*Note.*—The above statement has been compiled by the Commonwealth Statistician.

## III.—PRICE INDEXES.

VICTORIA—ALL ITEMS (“C” SERIES) RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (COST OF FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING—4 AND 5 ROOMS, CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS).

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities of Australia, 1923-27 = 1,000.)

Period.	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnam-bool.	Five Towns—Weighted Average.
November 1914 ..	671	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1921 ..	1,003	992	1,002	1,019	1,034	1,003
Year 1932 ..	813	776	808	794	838	811
„ 1939 ..	924	874	875	911	918	920
„ 1943 ..	1,139	1,084	1,096	1,110	1,126	1,135
„ 1944 ..	1,135	1,083	1,101	1,112	1,129	1,131
„ 1945 ..	1,135	1,086	1,099	1,113	1,139	1,131
„ 1946 ..	1,149	1,094	1,107	1,124	1,153	1,145
„ 1947 ..	1,188	1,132	1,141	1,170	1,186	1,184
„ 1948 ..	1,294	1,243	1,244	1,278	1,283	1,290
„ 1949 ..	1,415	1,365	1,365	1,397	1,398	1,411
„ 1950 ..	1,565	1,509	1,520	1,549	1,558	1,561
„ 1951 ..	1,880	1,857	1,826	1,871	1,886	1,877
„ 1952 ..	2,170	2,147	2,139	2,154	2,205	2,168
1950—September Qr.	1,569	1,513	1,529	1,559	1,571	1,566
December Qr.	1,646	1,588	1,592	1,619	1,648	1,642
1951—March Quarter	1,718	1,665	1,662	1,702	1,717	1,714
June Quarter..	1,839	1,825	1,771	1,845	1,823	1,837
September Qr.	1,930	1,918	1,884	1,924	1,957	1,928
December Qr.	2,033	2,019	1,987	2,014	2,048	2,030
1952—March Quarter	2,059	2,045	2,025	2,050	2,083	2,058
June Quarter	2,177	2,145	2,143	2,160	2,201	2,175
September Qr.	2,218	2,201	2,191	2,205	2,262	2,216
December Qr.	2,224	2,197	2,196	2,201	2,272	2,222

*Note.*—The above index has been computed by the Commonwealth Statistician.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The index of wholesale prices was first computed by the Commonwealth Statistician in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 89 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report*, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index-numbers back to 1928-29 are published in the next statement.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base: 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Produce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Groceries.	Meat.	Building Materials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861 Year ..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871 " ..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881 " ..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,001	1,587	1,121
1891 " ..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901 " ..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911 " ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1921 " ..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1931 " ..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,423
1939 " ..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1941 " ..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1945 " ..	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228
1946 " ..	2,262	2,062	1,950	1,722	1,977	2,589	3,772	2,614	2,163
1947 " ..	2,390	2,690	2,019	1,763	2,174	2,748	3,800	2,843	2,360
1948 " ..	2,829	3,619	2,383	2,104	2,435	2,976	4,631	3,180	2,824
1949 " ..	3,502	3,966	2,876	2,309	2,558	3,356	4,611	3,221	3,191
1950 " ..	3,902	(a)5,464	3,155	2,459	2,829	4,616	(b)5,567	3,263	(c)3,816

NOTE.—The figures given in this table are comparable in the vertical columns, but are not directly comparable horizontally.

(a) Computed using, for wool, the effective home-consumption price. This group index-number computed using the auction room price for wool is 6,079. (b) The regimen and weighting of the original Building Materials group of this index have become unreal. The movement shown here for this group between 1949 and 1950 has been calculated in accordance with the movement occurring in the Building Materials group of the Basic Materials and Foodstuffs Index. (c) Computed using, for wool, the effective home-consumption price. The all groups index-number computed using the auction room price for wool is 3,921.

## WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index by the Commonwealth Statistician has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published in the foregoing statement. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.



(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.		Basic Materials.							Foodstuffs and Tobacco.	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
		Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats, and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods Principally Imported. (a)	Goods Principally Home Produced.	All Groups.
1928-29	Year ..	127	106	129	121	115	95	114	107	91	118	110
1931-32	„ ..	108	113	77	119	74	95	101	86	100	92	95
1938-39	„ ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	103	99	102	101
1942-43	„ ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	128	176	121	137
1943-44	„ ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	129	182	122	140
1944-45	„ ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	131	182	123	141
1945-46	„ ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	135	178	126	141
1946-47	„ ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	138	177	129	143
1947-48	„ ..	146	161	283	148	126	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	„ ..	185	173	342	159	130	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	„ ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	„ ..	256	196	641	242	292	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	„ ..	343	220	577	314	298	370	321	281	288	(b) 305	(b)300
1951-52—												
July	.. ..	288	209	490	300	301	314	283	283	271	289	283
August	.. ..	308	209	604	301	351	316	299	292	274	304	295
September	.. ..	314	212	566	305	348	320	301	282	276	297	291
October	.. ..	320	213	698	305	347	344	315	266	282	291	288
November	.. ..	341	223	633	307	323	362	324	261	289	290	290
December	.. ..	344	223	616	313	271	364	322	270	286	297	294
January	.. ..	346	223	605	313	270	365	322	264	286	(b) 294	(b)292
February	.. ..	363	223	560	317	264	394	331	279	295	(b) 307	(b)304
March	.. ..	365	223	504	327	261	394	330	288	295	(b) 313	(b)308
April	.. ..	370	323	517	327	262	395	332	293	296	(b) 318	(b)312
May	.. ..	379	230	559	327	278	433	347	292	301	(b) 325	(b)318
June	.. ..	379	230	570	331	296	433	349	296	301	(b) 330	(b)321
1952-53—												
July	.. ..	392	230	570	344	279	435	354	304	301	338	327
August	.. ..	394	230	577	350	241	418	351	303	294	338	325
September	.. ..	399	230	(b)562	349	237	418	352	295	294	333	321
October	.. ..	390	235	589	349	233	418	352	283	295	323	314
November	.. ..	390	237	589	349	228	420	352	280	294	321	313
December	.. ..	390	237	609	349	227	420	353	291	296	329	319

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally. (b) Revised figures.

# IV.—COMMONWEALTH SOCIAL SERVICES AND REPATRIATION BENEFITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Pensioners at End of Period. (a)		Widows' Pensions (c) in Force at End of Period.		Maternity Allowances (d) Granted During Period.	Child Endowment (f).	
	Age.	Invalid.	Main- taining a Child.	Not Main- taining a Child.		Claims Current at End of Period.	Endowed Children at End of Period.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1913-14 Year ..	27,150	4,844	..	..	(e)	..	.
1920-21 .. ..	30,385	11,174	..	..	36,778	..	..
1930-31 .. ..	49,999	19,925	..	..	32,241	..	..
1938-39 .. ..	(b)67,896	(b)19,471	..	..	20,819	..	..
1947-48 .. ..	78,057	15,165	4,010	7,249	46,027	148,249	251,145
1948-49 .. ..	81,753	15,575	3,937	7,227	46,309	157,625	265,672
1949-50 .. ..	84,831	14,328	3,892	7,168	49,035	168,904	(g)452,333
1950-51 .. ..	86,210	13,977	3,842	6,789	50,210	301,805	605,673
1951-52 .. ..	87,845	13,973	3,724	6,498	52,144	317,591	642,693
1st July, 1952, to 29th Dec., 1952	90,541	14,522	3,845	6,447	27,842	323,951	659,220

(a) Excluding age and invalid pensioners in benevolent institutions.

(b) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the age pensions list.

(c) Commenced from 1st July, 1942. Particulars exclude pensions payable to widows in benevolent institutions.

(d) The income restrictions imposed in 1931 and 1932 and modified in 1934, 1936, and 1937 were abolished as from 1st July, 1943.

(e) Not available.

(f) Commenced from 1st July, 1941. Particulars exclude endowed children in approved institutions.

(g) As from 20th June, 1950, endowment became payable in respect of all children under sixteen years of age in a family.

Period.				Unemployment Benefits.(a)		Sickness Benefits.(a)	
				Admissions During Period.	On Benefit at End of Period.(b)	Admissions During Period.	On Benefit at End of Period.(b)
1945-46 Year .. ..	..	..	..	2,695	579	10,169	1,790
1946-47 .. ..	..	..	..	16,187	667	14,550	2,468
1947-48 .. ..	..	..	..	1,029	66	17,105	2,506
1948-49 .. ..	..	..	..	288	51	16,712	3,444
1949-50 .. ..	..	..	..	1,037	151	15,120	3,745
1950-51 .. ..	..	..	..	1,145	32	14,715	1,733
1951-52 .. ..	..	..	..	3,201	1,133	11,838	1,578
1st July, 1952, to 29th December, 1952				23,939	7,817	5,423	1,476

(a) Commenced from 1st July, 1945.

(b) Revised figures.



Period.	War Pensions.				Service Pensions (a).	
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Members of Forces.	Dependants of Members of Forces.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
At 30th June—						
1921 .. ..	26,053	15,410	33,338	74,801	..	..
1931 .. ..	25,066	10,994	60,142	96,202	..	..
1939 .. ..	25,569	8,412	48,264	82,245	1,876	1,330
1946 .. ..	36,020	13,157	43,849	93,026	2,296	1,106
1947 .. ..	39,711	13,167	48,101	100,979	2,589	1,134
1948 .. ..	41,931	13,285	51,648	106,864	2,793	1,192
1949 .. ..	44,025	13,486	55,737	113,248	2,736	1,154
1950 .. ..	46,553	13,743	61,297	121,593	2,784	1,099
1951 .. ..	49,115	13,730	69,054	131,899	2,696	1,071
1952 .. ..	51,045	13,735	75,486	140,266	2,661	1,125
At 31st December,						
1952 .. ..	51,851	13,792	78,515	144,158	2,849	1,166

(a) Commenced from 1st January, 1936.

*Note.*—Particulars relate to war pensions in respect of 1914–1918 War and 1939–1945 War and to service pensions in respect of the South African War, 1914–1918 War and 1939–1945 War.

## V.—SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

## VICTORIA—OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING: VESSELS AND TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.

Period.	Oversea.				Interstate (a).		Total.	
	Direct.		Via Other States.					
	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.
<i>Entered.</i>								
1938-39 Year ..	188	'000 686	548	'000 3,100	2,243	'000 4,751	2,979	'000 8,537
1948-49 " ..	323	1,465	457	2,523	1,288	3,067	2,068	7,055
1949-50 " ..	396	1,829	590	3,232	1,329	3,245	2,315	8,306
1950-51 " ..	426	1,945	573	3,185	1,288	3,399	2,287	8,529
1951-52 (b) ,, ..	446	1,997	548	3,140	1,322	3,611	2,316	8,748
1951-52—								
December Quarter ..	123	549	135	773	330	955	588	2,277
March Quarter ..	132	562	156	900	357	896	645	2,358
June Quarter ..	88	419	132	791	310	848	530	2,058
1952-53—								
September Quarter ..	86	382	149	826	379	946	614	2,154
<i>Cleared.</i>								
1938-39 Year ..	195	'000 757	495	'000 2,886	2,299	'000 4,837	2,989	'000 8,480
1948-49 " ..	268	1,214	410	2,095	1,401	3,782	2,079	7,091
1949-50 " ..	349	1,641	417	2,297	1,548	4,364	2,314	8,302
1950-51 " ..	347	1,599	423	2,386	1,546	4,614	2,316	8,599
1951-52 (b) ,, ..	377	1,699	403	2,413	1,548	4,728	2,328	8,840
1951-52—								
December Quarter ..	101	464	96	599	405	1,314	602	2,377
March Quarter ..	112	480	110	639	415	1,182	637	2,301
June Quarter ..	90	422	108	649	366	1,122	564	2,193
1952-53—								
September Quarter ..	89	372	99	588	410	1,139	598	2,099

(a) Includes oversea vessels on interstate voyages.

(b) Revised figures.

OVERSEA TRADE—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO AND EXPORTS FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS.

(Compiled from information collected by the Department of Trade and Customs.)

Period.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
IMPORTS.			
Year ended 30th June—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
1939 .. .. .	43,857	551	44,408
1950 .. .. .	182,900	1,357	184,257
1951 .. .. .	262,848	218	263,066
1952 .. .. .	361,807	1,386	363,193
Six months ended 31st December, 1952 (a) .. .. .	84,880	380	85,260
EXPORTS.			
Year ended 30th June—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
1939 .. .. .	28,388	2,431	30,819
1950 .. .. .	165,851	345	166,196
1951 .. .. .	265,013	31	265,044
1952 .. .. .	185,954	40	185,994
Six months ended 31st December, 1952 (a) .. .. .	107,163	59	107,222

(a) Subject to revision.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

(Values are in Australian currency f.o.b. at port of shipment.)

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins .. ..	262	24	685	55
Other .. ..	125	99	297	161
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	129	71	270	175
Total, Class I. ..	516	194	1,252	391

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.—				
Nuts, Edible .. .. .	123	72	226	153
Spices .. .. .	113	89	401	154
Coffee and Chicory .. ..	225	108	560	186
Tea .. .. .	984	684	2,190	1,865
Cocoa and Chocolate .. ..	358	37	747	71
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs, &c.	391	68	709	139
Total, Class II. ..	2,194	1,058	4,833	2,568
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS .. ..	154	51	295	104
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPA- RATIONS THEREOF—				
Tobacco—				
Unmanufactured .. ..	703	1,530	1,209	2,202
Manufactured .. ..	23	4	43	4
Cigarettes .. .. .	705	236	1,464	382
Cigars, Snuff, &c. .. ..	4	..	12	..
Total, Class IV. ..	1,435	1,770	2,728	2,588
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.. ..	20	9	85	73
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—				
Hides and Skins .. .. .	212	41	485	96
Wool .. .. .	297	49	815	88
Silk, Raw .. .. .	5	..	118	..
Other Animal Substances ..	328	50	417	77
Total, Class VI. ..	842	140	1,835	261
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—				
Seeds .. .. .	77	46	286	80
Fibres .. .. .	2,926	424	4,780	1,886
Gums, Resins, and Balsams ..	87	21	167	49
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	121	30	175	62
Plastic Materials (except Fibres)	563	228	938	450
Other Vegetable Substances ..	252	129	455	209
Total, Class VII. ..	4,026	878	6,801	2,736

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Yarns .. .. .	3,156	1,090	6,176	1,730
Manufactured Fibres .. .. .	3,034	44	3,855	750
Textiles—				
Piece Goods .. .. .	12,008	1,782	25,036	5,083
Other .. .. .	2,922	214	5,789	333
Apparel .. .. .	2,825	238	4,986	551
Total, Class VIII. ..	23,945	3,368	45,842	8,447
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—				
Linseed Oil .. .. .	368	..	578	57
Paraffin Wax .. .. .	61	9	142	21
Petroleum and Shale Oils—				
Petroleum .. .. .	2,923	3,448	6,151	6,715
Kerosene .. .. .	320	528	819	1,007
Residual .. .. .	835	555	1,547	1,325
Solar .. .. .	461	574	936	1,123
Lubricating (Mineral) .. .. .	643	232	1,351	872
Other .. .. .	100	77	200	197
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes ..	425	78	910	181
Total, Class IX. ..	6,136	5,501	12,634	11,498
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES .. .. .	427	54	777	176
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC.	552	1,071	916	1,982
CLASS XII.(a)—METALS AND MANUFACTURES—				
Iron and Steel—				
Plate and Sheet .. .. .	2,967	2,292	7,035	4,667
Other .. .. .	1,641	797	3,148	1,145
Tools of Trade .. .. .	421	97	710	178
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and Parts .. .. .	200	2,922	383	4,308
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Complete .. .. .	114	136	255	215
Bodies, Chassis, and Parts ..	8,307	2,434	14,450	5,790
Other Vehicles and Parts ..	1,032	174	1,874	519
Other Metals and Manufactures..	5,165	1,691	9,395	3,884
Total, Class XII.(a) ..	19,847	10,543	37,250	20,706

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued*.

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS XII.(b)—DYNAMO ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPLIANCES, EQUIP- MENT, ETC.—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Dynamo Electrical Machinery ..	473	921	1,128	1,338
Wireless (Radio) Equipment ..	28	59	80	84
Other Electrical Machinery, &c. ..	1,720	1,260	3,436	2,091
Total, Class XII.(b) ..	2,221	2,240	4,644	3,513
CLASS XII.(c)—MACHINES AND MACHINERY (EXCEPT DYNAMO ELECTRICAL)—				
Motive Power Machinery and Appliances ..	3,841	1,874	8,326	4,545
Metal Working Machinery and Appliances ..	621	717	1,050	1,546
Roller and Ball Bearings ..	335	324	657	866
Other Machines and Machinery ..	5,087	4,368	10,262	7,950
Total, Class XII.(c) ..	9,884	7,283	20,295	14,907
Total, Class XII. ..	31,952	20,066	62,189	39,126
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. ..	2,111	214	8,292	823
Rubber Manufactures—				
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	920	60	1,497	367
Elastics ..	107	51	193	69
Other ..	215	33	369	66
Leather and Leather Manufactures	134	22	247	48
Total, Class XIII. ..	3,487	380	10,598	1,373
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER—				
Timber ..	3,023	117	4,656	688
Other Wood and Wicker ..	171	38	355	77
Total, Class XIV. ..	3,194	155	5,011	765
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE—				
Glass and Glassware ..	489	150	929	253
Crockery and Household Ware ..	402	58	724	122
Portland Cement ..	694	141	1,567	346
Other Earthenware, &c. ..	344	59	774	141
Total, Class XV. ..	1,929	408	3,994	862



VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS XVI.(a)—PULP, PAPER, AND BOARD—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Pulp for Papermaking .. ..	391	151	1,346	744
Paper—				
Printing .. ..	1,314	406	2,952	1,177
Writing and Typewriting ..	353	100	642	205
Wrapping .. ..	420	71	965	171
Other .. ..	643	147	1,159	237
Millboards and Other Boards ..	372	54	804	82
Total, Class XVI.(a) ..	3,493	929	7,868	2,616
CLASS XVI.(b)—PAPER MANUFACTURES AND STATIONERY—				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	486	501	900	935
Other Stationery, &c. ..	193	170	862	275
Total, Class XVI.(b) ..	979	671	1,762	1,210
Total, Class XVI. ..	4,472	1,600	9,630	3,826
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES—				
Fancy Goods, including Sporting Materials and Toys ..	613	42	1,105	72
Jewellery .. ..	228	70	451	105
Timepieces .. ..	358	73	673	157
Total, Class XVII. ..	1,199	185	2,229	334
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS	646	438	1,203	677
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS—				
Drugs and Chemicals .. ..	2,447	803	4,257	1,403
Fertilizers .. ..	237	91	494	315
Total, Class XIX. ..	2,684	894	4,751	1,718
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	923	348	1,187	915
Bags, Baskets, &c. .. ..	106	8	181	14
Brushware .. ..	64	5	105	8
Prefabricated Buildings—				
Houses .. ..	189	526	1,152	865
Other Buildings .. ..	356	361	870	681
Outside Packages .. ..	1,759	677	3,300	1,507
All Other Articles .. ..	1,096	489	2,127	1,385
Total, Class XX. ..	4,493	2,414	8,922	5,375
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE .. ..	199	227	249	380
GRAND TOTAL ..	94,502	40,861	186,774	85,260



VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Meats—				
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef .. .. .	33	45	62	129
Lamb .. .. .	293	1,860	437	2,179
Mutton .. .. .	41	277	87	359
Pork .. .. .	20	22	57	44
Poultry .. .. .	234	103	466	414
Rabbits and Hares ..	288	381	1,445	1,286
Other .. .. .	76	110	128	187
Preserved in Tins .. ..	1,318	4,385	2,241	8,496
Sausage Casings .. ..	151	351	326	572
Other .. .. .	340	32	733	93
Butter .. .. .	910	4,485	1,166	5,209
Butter Substitutes .. ..	..	28	44	53
Cheese .. .. .	308	1,270	599	1,715
Eggs .. .. .	321	956	393	1,248
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	107	95	172	147
Honey .. .. .	50	35	56	145
Milk and Cream .. .. .	2,165	2,323	2,817	3,103
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	58	203	125	840
Total, Class I. ..	6,713	16,961	11,354	26,219
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.				
Grains and Cereals—				
Unprepared—				
Wheat .. .. .	3,345	1,994	8,696	4,203
Oats .. .. .	233	493	599	1,267
Barley .. .. .	..	54	..	322
Other .. .. .	4	5	5	11
Prepared—				
Rice .. .. .	24	42	52	63
Flour (Wheaten) .. ..	3,369	3,742	5,735	7,946
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats ..	56	69	93	157
Other .. .. .	74	23	167	65
Vegetables—				
Peas .. .. .	8	19	39	26
Preserved in liquid and pulped	39	169	62	230
Other .. .. .	29	19	71	202
Fruits—				
Fresh .. .. .	74	252	325	441
Dried .. .. .	572	174	1,711	2,443
Preserved in liquid .. ..	753	1,141	2,296	3,819
Fruit Juices .. .. .	19	26	61	171
Jam and Jellies .. .. .	57	67	179	182
Confectionery .. .. .	68	16	126	57
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	144	197	264	322
Total, Class II. ..	8,868	8,502	20,481	21,927
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS ..	119	109	238	230

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF .. ..	8	2	11	5
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.. ..	13	7	17	19
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—				
Hides and Skins—				
Rabbit and Hare .. ..	82	169	389	338
Calf, Cattle, and Horse .. ..	64	76	114	168
Sheep (with wool and without wool) .. ..	1,606	2,120	3,134	3,565
Other .. ..	21	36	34	39
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	21,481	31,256	26,593	36,814
Scoured, Tops, and Waste .. ..	3,820	3,744	7,535	7,246
Other Animal Substances .. ..	25	41	78	79
Total, Class VI. .. ..	27,099	37,442	37,877	48,249
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—				
Seeds .. ..	30	29	184	69
Fibres .. ..	40	24	92	39
Other Vegetable Substances .. ..	20	3	40	18
Total, Class VII. .. ..	90	56	316	126
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES, AND APPAREL—				
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.. ..	174	27	454	81
Textiles .. ..	146	77	430	139
Apparel .. ..	14	67	34	91
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	334	171	918	311
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—				
Tallow, inedible .. ..	32	124	139	190
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes .. ..	124	137	277	228
Total, Class IX. .. ..	156	261	416	418
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES .. ..	50	33	106	69
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC.	745	655	1,341	1,010
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—				
Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical) .. ..	505	728	1,228	1,229
Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances .. ..	49	79	128	168
Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) .. ..	686	760	1,387	1,463
Total, Class XII. .. ..	1,240	1,567	2,743	2,860

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st December—		Six Months Ended 31st December—	
	1951.	1952.	1951.	1952.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
Rubber and Rubber Manufactures	30	17	43	41
Leather and Leather Manufactures	233	352	453	565
Total, Class XIII. ..	263	369	496	606
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER	36	27	91	66
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE	11	14	23	28
CLASS XVI. — PAPER AND STATIONERY—				
Pulp, Paper, and Board ..	14	54	51	74
Paper Manufactures and Stationery	82	77	163	165
Total, Class XVI. ..	96	131	214	239
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWEL- LERY, AND TIMEPIECES ..	65	114	97	142
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS	185	112	348	227
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS—				
Soap .. .. .	35	57	97	99
Fertilizers .. .. .	8	1	11	1
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	522	448	993	773
Total, Class XIX. ..	565	506	1,101	873
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	489	832	804	1,519
Personal and Household Effects	78	80	138	177
All other Articles .. ..	391	602	719	1,843
Total, Class XX. ..	958	1,514	1,661	3,539
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER: BRONZE SPECIE .. ..	40	30	40	59
Australian Produce .. ..	47,392	67,911	79,286	106,221
Other Produce .. ..	262	672	603	1,001
Grand Total ..	47,654	68,583	79,889	107,222

## VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

Imports from—	Year Ended 30th June—			Six Months Ended 31st December, 1952. (a).
	1950.	1951.	1952.	
	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
United Kingdom .. .. .	97,856	126,058	161,879	32,201
Australian Territories .. .. .	849	927	1,306	507
Borneo (British) .. .. .	238	422	574	153
Canada .. .. .	3,541	4,688	6,535	3,571
Ceylon .. .. .	3,479	4,541	3,468	1,424
East Africa (British) .. .. .	795	1,937	2,753	893
Hong Kong .. .. .	181	377	733	37
India, Republic of .. .. .	8,105	10,467	12,446	2,067
Malaya, Federation of .. .. .	2,064	6,684	7,560	772
New Zealand .. .. .	2,569	1,206	3,403	677
Pakistan .. .. .	475	1,891	864	214
Rhodesia, Northern and Southern .. .. .	429	810	698	793
Singapore .. .. .	898	4,472	4,546	1,115
South Africa, Union of .. .. .	1,455	2,244	1,535	617
Swaziland .. .. .	2	11	16	220
West Africa (British) .. .. .	795	329	559	1
Other British Possessions .. .. .	524	455	1,090	286
Arabia—				
Bahrein Islands .. .. .	1,938	3,003	4,094	2,482
Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Muscat and Oman, &c. .. .. .	611	1,596	3,389	2,230
Austria .. .. .	190	743	1,972	121
Belgium .. .. .	1,287	4,030	7,199	780
Brazil .. .. .	1,160	1,334	2,714	50
China .. .. .	362	729	1,080	137
Czechoslovakia .. .. .	1,906	2,365	2,269	158
Egypt .. .. .	117	1,122	1,176	297
Finland .. .. .	620	1,512	3,638	249
France .. .. .	3,476	5,223	6,859	1,433
Germany .. .. .	2,525	5,630	12,445	2,661
Hungary .. .. .	218	377	397	26
Indonesia, Republic of .. .. .	4,382	6,940	7,397	2,586
Italy .. .. .	3,667	7,024	10,926	895
Japan .. .. .	2,748	5,858	15,595	1,949
Netherlands .. .. .	1,231	2,971	4,922	1,037
Netherlands Antilles .. .. .	95	71	1,610	426
Norway .. .. .	1,207	1,682	3,584	251
Persia (Iran) .. .. .	4,745	5,423	748	25
Soviet Union .. .. .	183	230	395	64
Sweden .. .. .	2,855	6,173	11,038	1,225
Switzerland .. .. .	986	2,518	2,779	553
United States of America .. .. .	18,666	22,492	36,974	17,698
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	1,177	2,088	3,189	852
Country not stated .. .. .	42	13	16	20
Total (excluding Outside Packages) .. .. .	180,649	258,666	356,370	83,753

(a) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES—*continued.*

Exports to—	Year Ended 30th June—			Six Months Ended 31st December, 1952. (a).
	1950.	1951.	1952.	
	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000
United Kingdom .. .. .	60,364	77,816	55,562	43,320
Australian Territories .. .. .	348	427	441	391
Borneo (British) .. .. .	193	283	304	156
Canada .. .. .	3,210	5,854	3,850	2,291
Ceylon .. .. .	2,030	2,835	5,762	3,686
Cocos Island .. .. .	..	..	..	904
Hong Kong .. .. .	2,850	2,473	1,400	1,231
India, Republic of .. .. .	8,953	5,738	5,227	1,296
Ireland, Republic of .. .. .	615	593	1,148	684
Malaya, Federation of .. .. .	1,932	2,534	3,688	1,945
Mauritius and Dependencies .. .. .	702	262	904	171
New Zealand .. .. .	6,233	5,746	12,574	5,117
Pakistan .. .. .	171	271	316	266
Rhodesia, Northern and Southern .. .. .	418	280	222	140
Singapore .. .. .	3,267	3,096	3,827	1,982
South Africa, Union of .. .. .	998	1,948	1,328	639
West Indies (British) .. .. .	667	668	612	321
Other British Possessions .. .. .	2,087	2,202	2,383	1,293
Arabia .. .. .	277	303	339	279
Belgium .. .. .	2,713	5,931	4,356	2,490
China .. .. .	228	237	80	102
Czechoslovakia .. .. .	1,781	1,428	460	201
Denmark .. .. .	1,334	1,584	546	99
Egypt .. .. .	2,218	9,179	2,644	724
France .. .. .	9,776	26,181	16,120	10,260
Germany .. .. .	3,874	5,317	6,232	2,383
Greece .. .. .	419	493	321	101
Indonesia, Republic of .. .. .	191	1,138	1,681	1,330
Italy .. .. .	4,921	14,989	10,363	5,969
Japan .. .. .	6,312	16,661	9,180	8,212
Mexico .. .. .	872	1,754	780	117
Netherlands .. .. .	2,751	2,684	2,619	543
Norway .. .. .	457	938	60	145
Persia (Iran) .. .. .	562	313	119	57
Peru .. .. .	1,212	905	16	27
Poland .. .. .	3,216	4,339	959	316
Soviet Union .. .. .	7,459	4,705	..	..
Spain .. .. .	1,037	..	163	..
Sweden .. .. .	2,156	5,949	2,759	261
Switzerland .. .. .	515	657	455	44
Turkey .. .. .	263	736	619	112
United States of America .. .. .	14,565	40,974	20,574	5,919
Yugoslavia .. .. .	138	1,193	1,649	145
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	2,362	3,430	3,352	1,553
Total .. .. .	166,197	265,044	185,994	107,222

(a) Subject to revision.



QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED TO  
OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.  
(Australian Currency Values.)

Commodity.				Year Ended 30th June—			Six Months Ended 31st December, 1952. (a).
				1950.	1951.	1952.	
Wool—							
Greasy .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		228,963 65,603	219,645 143,723	227,445 73,952	112,684 36,814
Scoured and Washed .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		40,345 11,995	32,164 21,341	30,775 14,019	15,515 5,765
Tops, Noils, and Waste .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		6,949 1,547	5,711 2,733	6,861 2,204	4,543 1,481
Butter .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		79,880 11,224	50,390 7,804	17,768 3,168	28,348 5,206
Wheat .. .. .	{	tons £'000		451,614 13,278	716,076 22,507	425,436 13,590	133,768 4,203
Flour (wheaten) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		582,538 9,535	466,354 8,675	619,807 13,125	379,595 7,946
Fruits—							
Dried .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		68,575 1,969	60,683 2,635	68,656 3,788	47,338 2,443
Fresh—							
Oranges .. .. .	{	bushels £'000		204,817 227	193,616 275	171,394 324	202,393 366
Apples .. .. .	{	bushels £'000		49,769 55	135,370 155	81,360 142	16,399 29
Pears .. .. .	{	bushels £'000		388,413 461	616,893 941	589,386 1,170	18,264 36
Other Fresh Fruits .. .. .	{	£'000		36	19	16	10
Preserved in Liquid .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		59,676 2,067	56,140 2,577	73,195 4,030	62,540 3,819
Meats—							
Beef (frozen) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		1,494 59	1,598 99	2,694 249	1,094 129
Lamb (frozen) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		82,685 3,788	30,297 1,574	19,067 1,205	33,762 2,179
Mutton (frozen) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		47,774 1,122	3,574 126	4,322 211	9,657 359
Pork (frozen) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		2,067 168	1,450 142	606 87	303 44
Poultry (frozen) .. .. .		£'000		753	1,112	905	414
Rabbits and Hares (frozen) (b) {		'000 pairs £'000		12,517 2,259	6,572 1,753	8,920 2,347	4,133 1,169
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		46,249 3,336	35,888 3,194	46,657 5,252	71,314 8,496
Sausage Casings .. .. .	{	cwt. £'000		17,558 880	10,303 876	9,366 1,015	7,815 572
All Other Meats .. .. .		£'000		626	903	1,922	397
Milk and Cream .. .. .		£'000		4,053	3,939	5,489	3,103
Hides and Skins—							
Sheep (with wool) .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		39,656 4,432	26,438 8,625	28,704 5,712	22,431 3,405
Rabbit and Hare .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		3,989 599	5,980 1,152	2,835 485	2,445 338
Other Skins .. .. .		£'000		915	1,217	718	367
Tallow (inedible) .. .. .	{	cwt. £'000		176,293 725	118,343 601	56,248 327	37,685 190
Eggs in shell .. .. .	{	'000 doz. £'000		7,390 976	4,126 584	2,389 402	4,063 858
Eggs not in shell .. .. .		£'000		459	390	264	390
Cheese .. .. .	{	'000 lb. £'000		30,759 2,493	29,157 2,640	31,258 2,995	14,116 1,715

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Carcasses only excluding rabbit and hare meat.



## VI.—LAND TRANSPORT.

## VICTORIA—RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS).

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—				Six Months Ended 31st December, 1952.
	1939.	1950.	1951.	1952.	
Average Mileage operated .. ..	4,754	4,692	4,687	4,687	(a)
Traffic Train Miles Run .. '000	17,890	17,549	14,575	16,973	8,810
Passenger Journeys .. .. '000	142,124	182,101	141,313	165,131	(b) 65,488
Goods Carried .. .. tons '000	5,250	8,409	7,043	8,574	(c) 3,509
Live Stock Carried .. .. tons '000	726	716	496	630	(c) 289

(a) Not yet available. (b) Four months ended 31st October, 1952. (c) Five months ended 30th November, 1952.

Particulars.	Traffic Train Mileage in Year 1951-52.				
	Steam.	Electric Motor.	Rail Motor.	Electric Locomotive.	Total.
Passenger Trains—					
Suburban .. .. miles '000	31	7,165	71	..	7,267
Country .. .. miles '000	2,550	..	1,379	..	3,929
Goods Trains .. .. miles '000	5,698	4	..	75	5,777
Total Traffic Train Mileage .. miles '000	8,279	7,169	1,450	75	16,973

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—				Six Months Ended 31st December, 1952.
	1939.	1950.	1951. (c).	1952.	
Gross Revenue—					
Ordinary .. .. £'000	9,284	20,367	18,660	24,339	15,171
Recoup by State Treasury towards Interest, &c. .. .. £'000	..	1,684	1,786	1,751	(d)
Total Revenue .. .. £'000	9,284	22,051	20,446	26,090	(d)
Working Expenses (a) .. .. £'000	8,060	19,984	20,811	29,613	17,937
Net Earnings (b) .. .. £'000	1,224	2,067	—365	—3,523	(d)
Interest Charges, Exchange and Contributions to National Debt Sinking Fund, &c. .. £'000	2,168	2,224	2,372	2,343	(d)
Net Result for Year .. .. £'000	—944	—157	—2,737	—5,866	(d)

(a) Including cost of pensions and Pay-roll Tax.

(b) Before the payment of capital charges, viz., interest, exchange, sinking fund, &c.

(c) Due to a railway strike the services did not operate during the period from 16th October, 1950, to 9th December, 1950 (55 days).

(d) Not yet available.

## MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—				Period from 1st July, 1952, to 27th December, 1952.
	1939.	1950. (d).	1951.	1952.	
<b>Tramway Track Open—</b>					
Double .. .. . miles	(a) 127·3	126·2	127·8	127·8	127·8
Single .. .. . miles	5·9	5·2	5·2	5·2	5·2
Motor Omnibus Route .. miles	48·6	66·7	66·7	66·7	66·7
<b>Vehicle Mileage—</b>					
Tramways .. .. '000	22,981	18,330	21,309	21,648	10,997
Motor Omnibuses .. .. '000	2,165	6,823	7,626	7,598	3,966
<b>Passenger Journeys—</b>					
Tramways .. .. '000	182,094	203,697	238,709	217,684	103,722
Motor Omnibuses .. .. '000	11,911	59,765	67,442	62,619	30,443
<b>Revenue—</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Traffic Receipts .. .. .	2,305	3,589	4,950	5,876	3,252
Other .. .. .	15	28	37	65	32
<b>Total Revenue</b> .. .. .	2,320	3,617	4,987	5,941	3,284
<b>Operating Expenses</b> .. .. .	(b) 1,517	(c) 3,997	(c) 5,018	(c) 6,033	(c) 3,328
<b>Surplus on Operation</b> .. .. .	803	..	..	..	..
<b>Deficit on Operation</b> .. .. .	..	380	31	92	44

(a) Including 7·94 miles of cable tramway. The cable tramway service ceased operation on 26th October, 1940.

(b) Excluding interest and other charges and appropriations.

(c) Including rates, interest, and depreciation, but excluding appropriations.

(d) Due to a strike of employees tram and motor omnibus services did not operate during the period from 23rd February, 1950, to 23rd April, 1950 (60 days).

**VICTORIA—MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.**  
(Excluding Commonwealth-owned vehicles and Defence Service vehicles.)

Period.	Motor Vehicles—				Motor Cycles.
	Private.	Commercial and Hire.	Primary Producers' (a).	Total.	
NEW REGISTRATIONS.					
1938-39 Year .. .. .	15,249	3,953	2,494	21,696	2,140
1949-50 „ .. .. .	32,192	9,678	7,036	48,906	6,412
1950-51 „ .. .. .	36,565	12,333	6,528	55,426	5,441
1951-52 „ .. .. .	42,258	13,776	8,461	64,495	5,387
Six months ended 31st December, 1952	14,828	3,743	2,352	20,923	1,313
RE-REGISTRATION OF USED VEHICLES.					
1938-39 Year .. .. .	13,718	3,459	3,277	20,454	4,787
1949-50 „ .. .. .	11,340	4,350	3,105	18,795	4,038
1950-51 „ .. .. .	15,806	4,935	3,385	24,126	4,697
1951-52 „ .. .. .	19,248	5,624	3,855	28,727	6,303
Six months ended 31st December, 1952	8,492	2,301	1,313	12,106	3,244
RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION.					
1938-39 Year .. .. .	122,164	28,750	41,656	192,570	19,771
1949-50 „ .. .. .	178,719	59,997	59,239	297,955	23,781
1950-51 „ .. .. .	206,338	61,097	59,639	327,074	23,393
1951-52 „ .. .. .	280,997	71,614	46,011	398,622	25,506
Six months ended 31st December, 1952	170,043	40,341	18,803	229,187	13,025
TOTAL REGISTRATIONS.					
1938-39 Year .. .. .	151,131	36,162	47,427	234,720	26,698
1949-50 „ .. .. .	222,251	74,025	69,380	365,656	34,231
1950-51 „ .. .. .	258,709	78,365	69,552	406,626	33,531
1951-52 „ .. .. .	342,503	91,014	58,327	491,844	37,196
Six months ended 31st December, 1952	193,363	46,385	22,468	262,216	17,582

(a) Prior to 12th November, 1951, primary producers' vehicles included private cars and commercial vehicles, but since that date only vehicles, constructed for the carriage of goods and used by primary producers solely in connection with business, are included under this heading.

## VICTORIA—TRANSPORT BOARD LICENCES AND PERMITS.

Type of Licence or Permit.	Licences in Force at 30th June—			
	1939.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Temporary Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles .. .. .	79	1,217	688	988
Commercial Goods Vehicles .. .. .	1,098	3,169	3,376	3,837
Total, Temporary Licences .. .. .	1,177	4,386	4,064	4,825
Permanent "Discretionary" Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles .. .. .	976	3,655	3,580	3,620
Commercial Goods Vehicles .. .. .	1,894	2,259	2,264	2,213
Total, "Discretionary" Licences .. .. .	2,870	5,914	5,844	5,833
Licences Issued "As of Right"—				
To operate for hire or reward—				
Within 25 miles of Melbourne .. .. .	4,751	10,459	10,502	10,811
Within 25 miles of Ballarat, Bendigo, or Geelong .. .. .	439	1,161	1,217	1,252
Within 20 miles of places of business of owners generally outside radius of Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong .. .. .	4,203	9,061	8,879	8,900
Primary Producers .. .. .	699	6,243	6,691	7,825
Commercial Goods Vehicles owned by Butter and Cheese Factories	297	601	624	692
Ancillary Carriers .. .. .	20,062	29,826	27,907	27,029
Vehicles carrying Third Schedule Goods, Racecourse Floats, Petroleum Tank Wagons, and Commercial Travellers' Vehicles	914	5,176	5,474	5,950
Total, "As of Right" .. .. .	31,365	62,527	61,294	62,459
Additional Licences to Commercial Goods Vehicles to Carry Passengers .. .. .	558	294	263	201
Grand Total Licences .. .. .	35,970	73,121	71,465	73,318
Permits to operate temporarily outside the conditions of the Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles .. .. .	(a)	7,707	3,607	4,437
Commercial Goods Vehicles .. .. .	(a)	68,831	66,150	99,414
Total Permits .. .. .	(a)	76,538	69,757	103,851

(a) Not available.

## VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

(As reported to the Police.)

Period.	Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.	Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured.	Persons Killed.	Persons Injured.
	<i>City of Melbourne (a).</i>			<i>Outside Metropolitan Area.</i>		
1938-39 Year .. .. .	1,470	47	1,593	1,558	194	1,973
1948-49 " .. .. .	1,208	39	1,322	2,229	193	2,949
1949-50 " .. .. .	1,343	49	1,539	2,977	287	3,999
1950-51 " .. .. .	1,253	54	1,392	3,498	305	4,781
1951-52 " .. .. .	1,373	49	1,602	3,783	340	5,179
1951-52—						
September Quarter .. .. .	392	13	451	908	90	1,277
December Quarter .. .. .	295	6	353	800	69	1,102
March Quarter .. .. .	289	11	343	978	79	1,337
June Quarter .. .. .	397	19	455	1,097	102	1,463
1952-53—						
September Quarter .. .. .	355	20	397	906	98	1,188
December Quarter .. .. .	301	2	361	920	65	1,256
	<i>Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne)</i>			<i>Total—Victoria.</i>		
1938-39 Year .. .. .	3,508	177	3,862	6,536	418	7,428
1948-49 " .. .. .	3,503	194	3,954	6,940	426	8,225
1949-50 " .. .. .	4,298	165	5,000	8,618	501	10,538
1950-51 " .. .. .	4,523	222	5,191	9,274	581	11,364
1951-52 " .. .. .	4,955	214	5,750	10,111	603	12,531
1951-52—						
September Quarter .. .. .	1,363	69	1,591	2,663	172	3,319
December Quarter .. .. .	1,075	33	1,244	2,170	108	2,699
March Quarter .. .. .	1,188	49	1,409	2,455	139	3,089
June Quarter .. .. .	1,329	63	1,506	2,823	184	3,424
1952-53—						
September Quarter .. .. .	1,273	48	1,465	2,534	166	3,050
December Quarter .. .. .	1,081	28	1,322	2,302	95	2,939

(a) Municipality of the City of Melbourne.

## VII.—FINANCE.

## VICTORIA—CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Revenue.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Taxation (a) .. .. .	10,085	6,869	7,575	9,315	12,232
Railways .. .. .	9,349	17,283	20,250	18,798	24,226
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. .. .	2,300	3,175	3,584	3,847	4,805
Land .. .. .	387	959	1,004	1,167	1,889
Interest n.e.i. .. .. .	1,881	1,955	1,882	1,862	2,267
Commonwealth Payments—					
Under Financial Agreement .. .. .	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127
" States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act .. .. .	..	12,027	14,237	17,446	20,347
" States Grants (Administration of Controls) Act .. .. .	..	145	169	186	220
" States Grants (Coal Emergency) Act .. .. .	..	..	1,830	..	..
" States Grants (Special Assistance) Act .. .. .	..	..	..	4,750	9,124
All other Revenue .. .. .	857	2,302	2,898	4,048	4,275
Total Revenue .. .. .	26,986	46,842	55,556	63,546	81,512
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Revenue per Head of Population .. .. .	14 8 3	22 4 9	25 12 0	28 8 2	35 8 4

(a) For details see page 31.

## VICTORIA—EXPENDITURE FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Expenditure.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Public Debt Charges—					
Interest on Funded Debt .. .. .	6,640	6,325	6,792	7,186	8,157
Exchange on Interest Payments .. .. .	669	542	567	578	578
Sinking Fund Contributions .. .. .	859	1,715	1,854	2,059	2,265
Other .. .. .	62	114	82	80	74
Railways .. .. .	7,694	17,024	19,198	19,844	28,275
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. .. .	980	2,062	2,222	2,542	3,367
Education .. .. .	3,123	7,232	8,671	10,644	13,230
Public Health .. .. .	143	436	488	614	786
Hospitals .. .. .	1,054	3,099	4,342	6,450	9,688
Other Charities (a) .. .. .	2,302	931	1,139	1,353	1,837
Law, Order, and Public Safety .. .. .	1,285	2,722	3,410	4,108	5,236
All other Expenditure .. .. .	2,962	6,023	7,050	8,431	10,425
Total Expenditure .. .. .	27,773	48,225	55,815	63,889	83,918
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Expenditure per Head of Population .. .. .	14 16 8	22 17 11	25 14 5	28 11 3	36 9 3

(a) Including contributions to Unemployment Relief Fund.

## VICTORIA—STATE TAXATION.

Tax.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
State Taxation Collections—					
Income Taxes (a) .. ..	6,251	71	66	53	29
Land Tax .. ..	482	371	293	415	876
Probate Duty .. ..	1,374	2,573	2,611	3,442	3,874
Stamp Duties, n.e.i. .. ..	960	1,656	2,377	2,987	3,321
Motor Taxation .. ..	1,914	2,647	3,179	3,808	5,215
Racing Taxation .. ..	677(b)	1,402	1,482	1,609	2,113
Liquor .. ..	255	607	680	780	1,323
All other Taxes .. ..	110	136	126	132	192
Paid to Consolidated Revenue ..	10,085	6,869	7,575	9,315	12,232
Paid to Special Funds .. ..	1,938	2,594	3,239	3,911	4,711
Total State Collections .. ..	12,023	9,463	10,814	13,226	16,943
Commonwealth Reimbursement—					
Uniform Tax .. ..	..	12,027	14,237	17,446	20,347
Grand Total .. ..	12,023	21,490	25,051	30,672	37,290
Per head of Population—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
State Collections .. ..	6 8 5	4 9 7	4 19 8	5 18 3	7 7 3
Commonwealth Reimbursement	..	5 13 10	6 11 3	7 16 0	8 16 10
Total .. ..	6 8 5	10 3 5	11 10 11	13 14 3	16 4 1

(a) Including Unemployment Relief Tax.

(b) Including Entertainments Tax.

## VICTORIA—STATE EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUNDS AND ON ACCOUNT OF LOANS.

Heads of Expenditure.	During Year Ended 30th June—			Total to 30th June, 1952.
	1950.	1951.	1952.	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Public Works—				
Railways—				
As reduced .. ..	2,655	7,044	10,498	73,523
Transferred .. ..	..	..	..	29,135
Roads and Bridges .. ..	390	816	1,094	15,425
Water Supply and Sewerage .. ..	4,160	7,154	10,699	60,407
Electricity Supply .. ..	..	1,250	9,000	28,089
Public Buildings—				
Schools .. ..	2,160	2,686	3,521	16,984
Hospitals .. ..	1,470	2,593	2,952	9,276
Other .. ..	471	590	799	3,921
Housing .. ..	304	904	4,185	8,550
Unemployment Relief .. ..	..	..	..	13,147
Other Public Works .. ..	804	738	829	6,975
Primary Production—				
Land Settlement (a) .. ..	4,844	6,096	5,754	70,151
Advances to Settlers (b) .. ..	5	1	..	3,764
Wire Netting Advances .. ..	11	56	23	1,008
Bulk Handling of Wheat .. ..	154	..	..	1,154
Forestry .. ..	1,543	1,590	1,390	11,395
Mining (including State Coal Mine) .. ..	13	140	38	824
Other Primary Production .. ..	97	159	125	1,664
Coal (Overseas Purchase) .. ..	1,130	17	Cr. 4	1,987
Gas and Fuel Corporation .. ..	..	2,552	2,393	4,945
Rural Finance Corporation .. ..	5	814	1,600	2,419
Other Purposes .. ..	109	109	188	1,017
Total Public Works, &c. .. ..	20,325	35,309	55,084	365,760
In Aid of Revenue .. ..	1,383	..	2,000	13,055
Grand Total .. ..	21,708	35,309	57,084	378,815

(a) Including Soldier Settlement.

(b) Including Drought Relief.



## VICTORIA—STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

At 30th June—				Repayable in—			Total.	Total Public Debt per Head of Population.
				London.	New York.	Australia.		
				£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£ s. d.
1914	..	..	..	39,275	..	26,856	66,131	46 10 1
1919	..	..	..	43,400	..	39,994	83,394	56 11 8
1929	..	..	..	59,835	4,658	89,336	153,829	86 19 7
1939	..	..	..	62,498	4,499	112,701	179,698	95 13 3
1951	..	..	..	45,296	4,486	201,151	250,933	110 11 7
1952	..	..	..	45,225	4,456	252,818	302,499	129 10 6

## ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a)—AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES IN VICTORIA.

Period.				Deposits—			Advances.	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits.
				Bearing Interest.	Not Bearing Interest.	Total.		
				£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	%
Year 1947-48	..	..	..	71,379	157,886	229,265	113,490	49·50
„ 1948-49	..	..	..	74,457	186,209	260,666	140,310	53·83
„ 1949-50	..	..	..	80,384	237,354	317,738	172,475	54·28
„ 1950-51	..	..	..	98,050	311,742	409,792	198,954	48·55
„ 1951-52	..	..	..	94,322	334,061	428,383	255,054	59·54
Quarter ended December, 1951	..	..	..	95,394	342,695	438,089	233,792	53·37
„ „ March, 1952	..	..	..	92,404	339,033	431,437	271,562	62·94
„ „ June, 1952	..	..	..	88,513	331,273	419,786	300,936	71·69
„ „ September, 1952	..	..	..	82,712	289,102	371,814	260,814	70·15
„ „ December, 1952	..	..	..	81,919	305,735	387,654	231,675	59·76
1951—Month of October	..	..	..	97,010	326,055	423,065	227,672	53·81
„ November	..	..	..	94,944	341,963	436,907	237,421	54·34
„ December	..	..	..	93,823	364,228	458,051	237,813	51·92
1952—Month of October	..	..	..	81,360	295,061	376,421	238,380	63·33
„ November	..	..	..	82,405	307,072	389,477	230,692	59·15
„ December	..	..	..	82,132	317,739	399,871	224,278	56·09

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act* 1945. Includes seven Private Trading Banks; Ballarat Banking Co. Ltd.; Bank of New Zealand; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; and the General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Average deposits and advances at close of business on Mondays in periods to December, 1946; thereafter on Wednesdays in periods.

## MELBOURNE BANKS' CLEARING HOUSE.

Period.								Total Amount Cleared.
								£'000
1929	Year	..	..	..	..	..	..	814,668
1939	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	864,631
1948	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,365,782
1949	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,778,182
1950	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,652,973
1951	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,600,401
1952	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,204,105
1950—June Quarter .. .. .								902,407
September Quarter .. .. .								878,619
December Quarter .. .. .								1,059,266
1951—March Quarter .. .. .								1,053,361
June Quarter .. .. .								1,307,649
September Quarter .. .. .								1,044,473
December Quarter .. .. .								1,194,918
1952—March Quarter .. .. .								1,077,267
June Quarter .. .. .								1,174,494
September Quarter .. .. .								954,585
December Quarter .. .. .								997,759

## SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Deposits—			Total Deposits per Head of Population.
	State Savings Bank (a).	Commonwealth Savings Bank.	Total.	
At 30th June—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£ s. d.
1929 .. .. .	66,130	6,577	72,707	41 2 2
1931 .. .. .	57,138	6,104	63,242	35 2 10
1939 .. .. .	69,219	11,242	80,461	42 15 4
1947 .. .. .	168,148	47,959	216,107	105 3 0
1948 .. .. .	177,781	48,620	226,401	108 5 10
1949 .. .. .	187,359	51,887	239,246	111 16 10
1950 .. .. .	198,680	58,441	257,121	116 14 5
1951 .. .. .	213,687	68,092	281,779	124 3 5
1952 .. .. .	224,347	76,485	300,832	128 16 2
At 31st December, 1952 ..	228,875	80,480	309,355	(b) 131 4 4

(a) Includes School Bank and Deposit Stock Accounts.

(b) Subject to revision.

## VICTORIA—MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE.

Period.	Mortgages Registered during Period.					
	Under Transfer of Land Acts (a).		Under Property Law Act (b).		Total.	
	Number.	Consideration (c).	Number.	Consideration (c).	Number.	Consideration (c).
Year ended 31st December—		£'000		£'000		£ 000
1929 .. .. .	27,916	21,082	899	968	28,815	22,050
1939 .. .. .	19,144	12,244	853	773	19,997	13,017
1948 .. .. .	21,926	17,263	849	556	22,775	17,819
1949 .. .. .	27,868	21,136	904	683	28,772	21,819
1950 .. .. .	35,914	24,339	1,210	3,407	37,124	27,746
1951 .. .. .	37,856	39,903	1,317	2,419	39,173	42,322
1952 .. .. .	35,545	63,904	1,235	2,083	36,780	65,987
1951—						
March Quarter .. .. .	8,214	7,526	291	296	8,505	7,822
June Quarter .. .. .	9,941	9,596	343	857	10,284	10,453
September Quarter .. .. .	10,845	10,716	393	799	11,238	11,515
December Quarter .. .. .	8,856	12,065	290	467	9,146	12,532
1952—						
March Quarter .. .. .	8,288	13,963	253	186	8,541	14,149
June Quarter .. .. .	8,862	19,755	310	979	9,172	20,734
September Quarter .. .. .	9,464	17,000	341	526	9,805	17,526
December Quarter .. .. .	8,931	13,186	331	392	9,262	13,578

(a) Mortgages under the Transfer of Land Act are in respect of land brought under that Act subsequent to 1862 and land alienated by the Crown since that date.

(b) Mortgages under the Property Law Act are in respect of land alienated by the Crown prior to 1862 and not subsequently brought under the Transfer of Land Act.

(c) Excluding the amounts owing under mortgages given to secure overdrafts on current account.

## VICTORIA—COMPANIES REGISTERED UNDER COMPANIES ACT.

Particulars.	Year Ended 31st December—				
	1929.	1939.	1950.	1951.	1952.
Number registered during period—					
Victorian Trading .. .. .	926	537	869	1,046	808
Foreign .. .. .	62	37	72	98	86
Mining .. .. .	22	28	5	4	15
Total .. .. .	1,010	602	946	1,148	909
Nominal Capital of Companies registered during period—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading .. .. .	44,083	17,302	64,257	63,017	52,264
Foreign .. .. .	(a)	8,975	30,829	45,651	29,758
Mining .. .. .	1	..	277	1,308	45
Number of Existing Companies at end of period—					
Victorian Trading .. .. .	7,259	10,229	12,077	12,885	13,282
Foreign .. .. .	899	643	1,035	1,120	1,179
Increase during the period in nominal Capital of Existing Companies—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading .. .. .	10,246	6,854	90,093	95,225	49,978
Mining .. .. .	244	1,097	2,375	1,434	902

(a) Not available.

## VIII.—PRODUCTION.

## VICTORIA—RAINFALL, YEARLY AND MONTHLY RECORDS AND MEANS.

Period.	Districts.								Whole State— Weighted Average.
	Mallee.	Wimmera.	Northern.	North-Central.	North-Eastern.	Western.	Central.	Gipps-land.	
Averages 1911–1940 (a)	Inches. 12.49	Inches. 17.52	Inches. 18.09	Inches. 27.06	Inches. 34.81	Inches. 27.58	Inches. 29.64	Inches. 33.47	Inches. 24.28
Year—									
1948 ..	11.29	19.15	16.46	24.82	31.98	28.37	25.93	34.37	23.61
1949 ..	11.80	16.67	20.45	31.35	33.72	26.91	32.62	36.72	25.05
1950 ..	17.57	20.04	23.67	31.63	35.03	24.01	30.82	36.65	26.52
1951 ..	12.09	19.61	20.26	31.87	37.45	33.32	34.71	41.78	27.91
1952 ..	15.22	21.87	21.86	35.56	46.24	39.30	40.66	48.71	32.75
1951—									
October ..	1.36	2.89	1.82	3.25	4.14	3.34	2.90	3.25	2.78
November	0.30	0.54	0.61	1.34	1.56	1.72	2.10	3.20	1.39
December	0.34	1.21	0.51	1.28	1.24	2.24	1.99	2.63	1.42
1952—									
January ..	1.04	2.04	0.69	1.36	0.65	3.03	0.96	1.01	1.40
February	0.40	1.05	0.31	1.01	0.37	1.48	1.79	1.95	1.02
March ..	0.88	0.76	0.71	0.89	2.16	0.75	1.49	3.74	1.48
April ..	1.39	1.29	2.20	3.15	4.92	3.21	3.16	4.63	2.93
May ..	2.91	3.02	3.32	3.94	6.41	3.98	3.57	4.40	3.92
June ..	1.48	3.05	3.11	5.45	7.28	5.76	5.94	8.97	4.99
July ..	0.63	1.34	1.31	2.83	4.01	2.67	4.58	2.99	2.33
August ..	1.03	1.95	1.33	2.95	3.19	3.78	2.73	2.75	2.39
September	0.68	1.51	1.54	2.91	4.72	4.05	3.37	3.38	(b) 2.66
October ..	2.29	2.30	2.89	4.29	4.76	3.56	4.49	4.60	3.50
November	2.08	2.70	3.32	4.88	4.87	4.97	5.37	5.45	4.03
December	0.41	0.86	1.13	1.90	2.90	2.06	3.21	4.84	2.10

(a) Averages for a standard 30 years' period, 1911–1940.

(b) Revised figures.

## VICTORIA—ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD OF PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	For Grain—			Hay.	Potatoes.	Grapes for Drying (a).	Fruit (b).
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.				
Area of Crops.							
1947-48 .. ..	Acres. 3,227,162	Acres. 650,119	Acres. 164,189	Acres. 657,146	Acres. 59,400	Acres. 33,641	Acres. 57,943
1948-49 .. ..	2,995,705	539,603	195,779	591,341	45,785	34,371	57,868
1949-50 .. ..	2,828,273	483,190	236,123	606,525	50,651	34,284	56,467
1950-51 .. ..	2,735,473	527,217	217,096	557,454	52,482	34,438	55,850
1951-52 .. ..	2,463,574	676,503	186,224	(c) 640,418	(d) 42,108	34,633	55,376
Total Production.							
1947-48 .. ..	Bushels. 46,962,385	Bushels. 15,380,970	Bushels. 3,576,771	Tons. 1,042,438	Tons. 184,882	Tons.(e) 55,246	..
1948-49 .. ..	49,063,560	7,489,601	3,547,691	933,983	166,105	43,672	..
1949-50 .. ..	57,433,835	8,718,307	4,876,180	1,000,855	167,881	49,124	..
1950-51 .. ..	51,235,929	9,034,005	4,510,079	894,585	139,391	34,087	..
1951-52 .. ..	45,994,752	11,151,260	3,619,576	1,046,764	178,399	48,692	..
Average Yield per Acre.							
1947-48 .. ..	Bushels. 14.55	Bushels. 23.66	Bushels. 21.78	Tons. 1.59	Tons. 3.11	Tons.(e) 1.64	..
1948-49 .. ..	16.38	13.88	18.12	1.58	3.63	1.27	..
1949-50 .. ..	20.31	18.04	20.65	1.65	3.31	1.43	..
1950-51 .. ..	18.73	17.14	20.77	1.60	2.66	0.99	..
1951-52 .. ..	18.67	16.48	19.44	1.63	4.24	1.41	..

(a) Excluding table grapes, wine grapes and unproductive vines, the area of which in 1951–52 amounted to 1,319, 6,860, and 2,455 acres respectively.

(b) Productive orchards only. The area of unproductive orchards in 1950–51 was 13,339 acres. Owing to the varying units of quantity, total production cannot be conveniently shown in this statement. (See *Victorian Year-Book*.)

(c) Including wheaten 34,964 acres and oatsen 214,427 acres.

(d) Revised figures.

(e) Weight of dried produce.

## LIVE STOCK IN VICTORIA.

At 31st March.	Horses.	Cattle.			Pigs.	Sheep.
		All Dairy Cattle.	Beef Cattle.	Total.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1948 .. ..	221,454	1,476,379	697,824	2,174,203	271,492	17,931,173
1949 .. ..	213,090	1,513,292	711,251	2,224,543	223,823	19,170,312
1950 .. ..	200,143	1,525,183	705,765	2,230,948	212,901	19,161,043
1951 .. ..	186,415	1,489,393	726,860	2,216,253	237,127	20,011,933
1952 .. ..	169,246	1,438,523	776,007	2,214,530	213,670	21,537,229

## VICTORIA—WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE.

Season.	Clip.	Stripped from and Exported on Skins, &c. (Greasy).	Total Quantity. (Greasy).	Gross Value.	Average Price. per lb.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	£	d.
1946-47 .. ..	150,807,569	46,268,669	197,076,238	18,708,593	22·78
1947-48 .. ..	157,866,750	33,137,130	191,003,880	29,851,792	37·51
1948-49 .. ..	165,192,428	30,212,458	195,404,886	37,105,206	45·57
1949-50 .. ..	179,479,743	37,159,564	216,639,307	55,033,279	60·97
1950-51 .. ..	187,839,467	25,055,009	212,894,476	129,524,213	146·02
1951-52 .. ..	194,617,909	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)

(a) Not yet available.

## VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

Particulars.					Year Ended 30th June—			
					1939.	1950.	1951.	1952. (c)
					No.	No.	No.	No.
Factories .. ..	..	..	..	..	9,250	13,231	13,504	14,753
Persons employed (a)—								
Males .. ..	..	..	..	..	136,218	216,198	224,919	233,699
Females .. ..	..	..	..	..	65,613	87,278	91,873	90,444
Total .. ..	..	..	..	..	201,831	303,476	316,792	324,143
Wages paid (b)—					£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Males .. ..	..	..	..	..	29,006	105,135	130,923	163,688
Females .. ..	..	..	..	..	7,021	25,119	32,284	38,898
Total .. ..	..	..	..	..	36,027	130,254	163,207	202,586
Value of—					£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fuel, light, and power used .. ..	..	..	..	..	3,595	12,822	16,324	20,779
Lubricating oil and water used and repairs .. ..	..	..	..	..	2,655	10,202	12,791	15,707
Materials used (including containers) .. ..	..	..	..	..	80,722	284,197	370,258	463,121
Production (net) .. ..	..	..	..	..	65,996	219,245	275,660	334,360
Output .. ..	..	..	..	..	152,968	526,466	675,033	833,967
Land and buildings .. ..	..	..	..	..	42,026	84,124	100,326	119,550
Machinery and plant .. ..	..	..	..	..	38,570	92,748	107,261	129,134

(a) Average over whole year. Includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Subject to revision.



VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED IN PROCESS OF  
MANUFACTURE.

Class of Industry.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1950.	1951.	1952.(a)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Treatment of non-metalliferous mine and quarry products .. ..	1,576	4,233	5,419	6,398
Bricks, pottery, glass, &c. .. ..	1,530	3,140	4,075	4,996
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, oils, and grease .. ..	4,462	12,819	17,155	20,621
Industrial metals, machines, implements, and conveyances .. ..	16,460	71,183	90,916	115,726
Precious metals, jewellery, and plate .. ..	547	2,354	2,719	2,916
Textiles and textile goods (not dress) .. ..	6,324	22,586	28,780	29,301
Skins and leather (not clothing or footwear) ..	1,373	4,701	5,496	5,341
Clothing .. ..	7,865	25,480	31,215	35,033
Food, drink, and tobacco .. ..	12,610	32,360	37,248	46,771
Woodworking and basketware .. ..	2,391	9,437	12,013	15,045
Furniture, bedding, &c. .. ..	1,281	3,882	5,305	6,152
Paper, stationery, printing, bookbinding, &c. ..	4,930	13,949	17,836	23,297
Rubber .. ..	1,573	4,486	6,507	8,029
Musical instruments .. ..	24	115	121	182
Miscellaneous products .. ..	722	4,969	6,689	7,858
Heat, light, and power .. ..	2,328	3,551	4,166	6,654
Total .. ..	65,996	219,245	275,660	334,360

Note.—“ Added Value ” is the source from which provision is made for the following:—Salaries and wages, depreciation, taxation, rent, insurance, miscellaneous expenses, and profits.

(a) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION, 1950-51.

Industry.	Gross Value of Pro-duction. (a)	Marketing Costs.	Value at Place of Production.	Costs of Production. (b)	Net Value of Production.	Net Value per Head of Population.
Primary—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£ s. d.
Agriculture .. ..	67,718	7,617	60,101	11,055	49,046	21 18 6
Pastoral .. ..	168,411	6,375	162,036	3,049	158,987	71 1 7
Dairying .. ..	35,991	1,640	34,351	4,786	29,565	13 4 5
Poultry and Bee Farming	14,016	1,072	12,944	2,859	10,085	4 10 2
Trapping, Forestry, and Fisheries .. ..	11,317	987	10,330	(c)	10,330	4 12 5
Mining .. ..	5,907	634	5,273	2,304	2,969	1 6 7
Total Primary .. ..	303,360	18,325	285,035	24,053	260,982	116 13 8
Manufacturing (d) .. ..	275,660	..	275,660	..	275,660	123 4 10
Total all Industries .. ..	579,020	18,325	560,695	24,053	536,642	239 18 6

(a) Gross value is defined as the value placed on recorded production at the wholesale price realized in the principal markets. In cases where primary products are absorbed locally, or where they become raw material for secondary industry, these points are presumed to be the principal markets.

(b) Costs of production include stock feed, seed costs and pickling, manures, spraying, sheep and cattle dips, power, fuel, water, and all other materials used in production, but exclude depreciation and maintenance costs.

(c) Not available.

(d) Manufacturing is included at its net added value because the gross or wholesale selling value contains so much duplication of products, the finished article of one class of manufacture forming in numerous cases the raw material for others.

VICTORIA—NET VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION PER HEAD  
OF POPULATION.

Year.	Industry.							Total.
	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Dairying.	Poultry and Bee Farming.	Trapping, Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manu- facturing.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1937-38 ..	8 0 10	9 19 2	5 12 10	1 11 10	1 2 0	0 18 6	34 17 4	62 2 6
1938-39 ..	2 19 11	8 1 8	5 6 3	1 13 6	0 18 1	0 18 7	35 3 11	55 1 11
1939-40 ..	6 6 0	8 13 10	6 10 6	1 13 6	1 3 1	1 2 4	39 3 2	64 12 5
1940-41 ..	3 14 0	9 14 2	6 16 4	1 4 9	1 12 9	1 6 2	46 7 8	70 15 10
1941-42 ..	7 18 9	10 9 6	6 9 0	1 8 4	2 2 1	1 2 8	56 15 0	86 5 10
1942-43 ..	9 13 0	12 11 4	6 6 6	2 10 1	1 17 6	0 19 1	61 11 7	95 9 1
1943-44 ..	8 1 6	13 2 9	6 19 1	2 12 6	2 11 0	0 15 6	62 0 3	96 2 7
1944-45 ..	7 8 7	12 3 9	7 6 4	2 15 2	2 9 6	0 15 5	61 0 4	93 19 1
1945-46 ..	10 1 8	8 19 7	7 9 2	2 17 4	3 0 0	0 17 3	60 14 7	93 19 7
1946-47 ..	14 6 11	14 0 9	8 16 10	2 15 1	3 3 11	1 0 2	64 9 3	108 12 11
1947-48 ..	23 5 8	19 19 4	9 10 4	2 19 8	3 11 4	1 2 2	76 12 0	137 0 6
1948-49 ..	17 1 0	24 11 5	10 10 8	3 16 5	3 18 0	1 0 7	86 9 7	147 7 8
1949-50 ..	22 8 10	34 13 5	12 10 5	3 18 1	4 5 9	1 0 10	101 0 6	179 17 10
1950-51 ..	21 18 6	71 1 7	13 4 5	4 10 2	4 12 5	1 6 7	123 4 10	239 18 6

VICTORIA—PRODUCTION OF BLACK COAL AND BROWN COAL AND BRIQUETTES  
MANUFACTURED.

Period.	Black Coal.	Brown Coal.				Briquettes Manu- factured. (b)
		State Electricity Commission.		Privately- operated Mines.	Total.	
		Yallourn.	Yallourn North.			
Year ended 31st December—	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.
1939 .. ..	365	3,650	..	1	3,651	415
1940 .. ..	268	4,278	..	2	4,280	428
1941 .. ..	326	4,565	..	1	4,566	419
1942 .. ..	313	4,890	40	4	4,934	417
1943 .. ..	287	5,038	43	11	5,092	411
1944 .. ..	258	4,913	88	15	5,016	429
1945 .. ..	247	5,366	48	31	5,445	455
1946 .. ..	191	5,547	90	70	5,707	504
1947 .. ..	174	5,791	153	196	6,140	514
1948 .. ..	168	6,091	333	268	6,692	542
1949 .. ..	123	6,321	644	410	7,375	577
1950 .. ..	126	6,211	623	493	7,327	527
1951 .. ..	148	6,314	927	595	7,836	563
1952 .. ..	144	6,448	1,087	569	8,104	554
1952—						
March Quarter ..	(a) 32	1,623	259	(a) 144	(a) 2,026	148
June Quarter ..	(a) 30	1,624	259	(a) 152	(a) 2,035	141
Sept. Quarter ..	(a) 43	1,643	303	(a) 155	(a) 2,101	132
Dec. Quarter ..	39	1,558	266	118	1,942	133

(a) Revised figures.

(b) The quantity of brown coal used in the manufacture of briquettes is included in previous columns in the figures of production by the State Electricity Commission.

## VICTORIA—IMPORTS (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA) OF BLACK COAL.

Period.	Interstate.			Oversea.				Grand Total—Interstate and Oversea.
	From New South Wales.	From Queens-land.	Total.	From United Kingdom.	From India.	From South Africa.	Total.	
Year ended 31st December—	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.
1939 ..	1,404	..	1,404	..	..	..	..	1,404
1940 ..	1,207	..	1,207	..	..	..	..	1,207
1941 ..	1,590	..	1,590	..	..	..	..	1,590
1942 ..	1,705	..	1,705	..	..	..	..	1,705
1943 ..	1,583	..	1,583	..	..	..	..	1,583
1944 ..	1,659	..	1,659	..	..	..	..	1,659
1945 ..	1,472	..	1,472	..	..	..	..	1,472
1946 ..	1,504	..	1,504	..	..	..	..	1,504
1947 ..	1,413	..	1,413	..	..	..	..	1,413
1948 ..	1,440	..	1,440	24	..	..	24	1,464
1949 ..	1,197	..	1,197	145	185	24	354	1,551
1950 ..	1,144	8	1,152	..	211	217	428	1,580
1951 ..	1,236	72	1,308	..	139	72	211	1,519
1952 ..	1,488	166	1,654	..	200	..	200	1,854
1952—								
March Quarter	308	25	333	..	43	..	43	376
June Quarter	376	25	401	..	32	..	32	433
Sept. Quarter	393	58	451	..	103	..	103	554
Dec. Quarter	411	58	469	..	22	..	22	491

## STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA—ELECTRICITY GENERATED AND SENT OUT.

Period.	Electricity Generated—			Electricity Sent Out from Generating Stations—		
	Hydro Stations.	Thermal Stations.	Total.	Hydro Stations.	Thermal Stations.	Total.
	kWh millions.	kWh millions.	kWh millions.	kWh millions.	kWh millions.	kWh millions.
1938-39 Year ..	103·2	824·1	927·3	102·8	739·2	842·0
1947-48 ..	230·2	1,674·3	1,904·5	228·0	1,582·1	1,810·1
1948-49 ..	183·6	1,964·4	2,148·0	181·2	1,857·8	2,039·0
1949-50 ..	176·0	2,186·8	2,362·8	173·7	2,063·1	2,236·8
1950-51 ..	194·2	2,411·3	2,605·5	191·7	2,276·2	2,467·9
1951-52 ..	226·4	2,565·3	2,791·7	224·1	2,420·5	2,644·6
1950-51—						
March Quarter ..	24·0	589·4	613·4	23·8	556·0	579·8
June Quarter ..	45·6	647·7	693·3	44·9	611·1	656·0
1951-52—						
September Quarter	77·0	661·7	738·7	76·5	624·9	701·4
December Quarter	66·5	610·3	676·8	65·7	574·8	640·5
March Quarter ..	32·7	635·4	668·1	32·3	600·4	632·7
June Quarter ..	50·2	657·9	708·1	49·6	620·4	670·0
1952-53—						
September Quarter	80·7	692·5	773·2	79·9	652·9	732·8
December Quarter	87·7	630·4	718·1	86·9	591·3	678·2

*Note.*—Figures above of electricity generated by the State Electricity Commission (including Melbourne City Council Power House, Spencer-street) represented in 1951-52 98 per cent. of the total generated by all authorities in Victoria.

## IX.—MISCELLANEOUS.

## GREATER MELBOURNE—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY MUNICIPALITIES.

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.).		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1938 Year .. .. .	5,333	5,318	531	1,641	6,124	1,446	11,988	8,405
1939 " " " " " "	5,148	5,370	483	1,655	6,113	1,658	11,744	8,683
1945 " " " " " "	1,944	2,059	107	443	6,644	1,046	8,695	3,548
1946 " " " " " "	7,292	9,875	241	1,314	7,882	1,520	15,415	12,709
1947 " " " " " "	8,787	13,685	476	2,156	6,664	2,057	15,927	17,898
1948 " " " " " "	8,531	14,837	371	1,660	6,090	2,217	14,992	18,714
1949 " " " " " "	10,768	20,391	331	1,846	6,920	2,142	18,019	24,379
1950 " " " " " "	12,268	26,343	467	3,045	10,368	3,185	23,103	32,573
1951 " " " " " "	11,110	29,462	593	4,706	17,450	5,639	29,153	39,807
1952 " " " " " "	6,621	18,916	777	6,299	17,212	6,584	24,610	31,799
1951—								
March Quarter ..	2,955	7,036	109	805	4,190	1,117	7,254	8,958
June Quarter ..	3,309	8,438	147	1,726	4,971	1,402	8,427	11,566
September Quarter ..	2,876	7,851	183	1,281	4,487	1,583	7,546	10,715
December Quarter ..	1,970	6,137	154	894	3,802	1,537	5,926	8,568
1952—								
March Quarter ..	1,778	5,156	126	703	4,247	1,282	6,151	7,141
June Quarter ..	1,562	4,566	154	1,086	4,186	1,900	5,902	7,552
September Quarter ..	1,634	4,587	241	2,435	4,440	1,814	6,315	8,836
December Quarter ..	1,647	4,607	256	2,075	4,339	1,588	6,242	8,270

Note.—The above statement includes War Service Homes dwellings but excludes Housing Commission and other Government buildings.

## VICTORIA—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY TEN(a) PROVINCIAL MUNICIPALITIES.

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.).		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1939 Year .. .. .	647	460	59	107	619	153	1,325	720
1944 " " " " " "	30	15	19	23	474	91	523	129
1945 " " " " " "	218	206	23	34	646	94	887	334
1946 " " " " " "	693	768	39	34	1,096	160	1,828	962
1947 " " " " " "	819	1,032	47	99	937	162	1,803	1,293
1948 " " " " " "	800	1,203	33	443	832	251	1,665	1,897
1949 " " " " " "	1,060	1,793	41	585	1,149	275	2,250	2,653
1950 " " " " " "	1,280	2,446	29	118	1,172	429	2,481	2,993
1951 " " " " " "	1,072	2,469	60	572	1,369	362	2,501	3,403
1952 " " " " " "	657	1,587	95	642	1,363	604	2,115	2,833
1951—								
March Quarter ..	273	586	9	26	325	63	607	675
June Quarter ..	325	734	21	165	427	88	773	987
September Quarter ..	280	660	19	342	330	118	629	1,120
December Quarter ..	194	489	11	39	287	93	492	621
1952—								
March Quarter ..	173	401	23	311	304	81	500	793
June Quarter ..	140	333	14	62	361	106	515	501
September Quarter ..	180	447	30	210	344	276	554	933
December Quarter ..	164	406	28	59	354	141	546	606

(a) Includes the Cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Geelong West, Horsham, Mildura, Newtown and Chilwell, Sale, Shepparton, and Warrnambool.

Note.—The above statement includes War Service Homes dwellings but excludes Housing Commission and other Government buildings.



## HOUSING COMMISSION OF VICTORIA.

Period.	Contracts Let(a) during Period for the erection of Dwelling Units.			Dwelling Units Completed during Period.		
	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prior to 1942-43 ..	1,092	135	1,227	1,080	135	1,215
1942-43 Year ..	116	..	116	79	..	79
1943-44 " ..	323	75	398	118	..	118
1944-45 " ..	747	345	1,092	495	115	610
1945-46 " ..	1,677	677	2,354	889	204	1,093
1946-47 " ..	2,069	930	2,999	921	570	1,491
1947-48 " ..	1,281	919	2,200	1,388	791	2,179
1948-49 " ..	1,221	626	1,847	1,453	904	2,357
1949-50 " ..	1,287	1,183	2,470	1,479	975	2,454
1950-51 " ..	1,575	1,439	3,014	1,365	1,334	2,699
1951-52 " ..	931	2,039	2,970	1,428	1,542	2,970
1951-52						
September Quarter ..	481	839	1,320	423	342	765
December Quarter ..	187	585	772	391	421	812
March Quarter ..	162	312	474	266	282	548
June Quarter ..	101	303	404	348	497	845
1952-53—						
September Quarter ..	378	167	545	332	375	707
December Quarter ..	518	1,450	1,968	495	658	1,153
Grand Total to 31st December, 1952 ..	13,215	9,985	23,200	11,522	7,603	19,125

(a) Including work performed by day labour. The date of the letting of the first contract was 31st July, 1939.

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of houses erected by the Housing Commission of Victoria for the Commonwealth War Workers' Housing Trust, viz., 234 at Sunshine and 34 at Coburg.